

Senate Resolution 1353

By: Senator James of the 35th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Tom Worthan; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Tom Worthan has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the
3 vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare
4 of the citizens of Douglas County, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, a long-time resident of Douglas County, Mr. Worthan is the beloved son of the
6 late Mayor of the City of Douglasville, J. Tom and Margaret Worthan; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Worthan was educated in the Douglas County School System and earned
8 a bachelor's degree from Georgia State University; and

9 WHEREAS, he worked in the paper and plastic industry for 36 years, 34 of those with Fulton
10 Paper Company as a field sales representative specializing in commercial and industrial
11 accounts; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Worthan served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the
13 United States Army National Guard out of the Douglasville Armory; and

14 WHEREAS, he has dedicated over 20 years to the youth of Douglas County, as a coach for
15 baseball, football, softball, and basketball and has held leadership roles with the Lithia
16 Springs Girls Club and Lithia Springs Recreation Club; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Worthan was sworn into office as Chairman of the Douglas County Board
18 of Commissioners in 2005, serving as the county's chief elected officer, setting policies,
19 procedures, and budgets; and

20 WHEREAS, his leadership has been instrumental to the Douglas County Board of Health,
21 the Douglas County Community Services Board, the United Way of Douglas County, the
22 Douglas County Chamber of Commerce, and the Atlanta Regional Commission's Executive

23 Board, Transportation and Air Quality Committee, Freight Study Committee, and Aging
24 Services Committee; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Worthan has been united in love and marriage to his wife Linda since 1968
26 and they have been blessed with three remarkable children, Stephanie, Shannon, and Brad;
27 two wonderful sons-in-law, Eric Sanders and Jarrod Smith; and four delightful
28 grandchildren, Haeven, Wesley, Tate, and Thomas; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
30 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 body commend Mr. Tom Worthan for his efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated public
33 service to Douglas County and the State of Georgia.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Tom Worthan.